Weekly Curbside Recycling Collection

	MATERIAL	HOW TO PREPARE	DO NOT INCLUDE
	<i>Metal</i> food and beverage cans, can lids, aluminum foil	Rinse clean and Drain, flatten; labels okay. Place in bin Do not bag.	No scrap metal, aerosol cans, paint cans or propane tanks. No aluminum lunch trays
	Glass bottles and jars, all colors/sizes food and beverage containers	Rinse clean and Drain, labels and lids okay. Place in bin Do not bag.	No light bulbs, window or auto glass, Pyrex, ceramics, mirrors, drinking glasses, vases or broken glass.
SOFT CONTROL OF THE PARTY OF TH	Plastic Soft Drink 213 Bottles Plastic Jugs & Bottles 223	Rinse clean and Drain, Flatten. Place in bin Do not bag.	No plastic wrap or bags. No bottles used for hazardous materials such as antifreeze and motor oil. No styrofoam (peanuts, etc.) No unmarked plastic and no number 3-7 plastics
THE WATER OF THE PARTY OF THE P	Newspapers w/inserts Magazines & Catalogs White Paper Telephone Books Cereal Boxes Junk Mail (new item)	Do not tie. Must be in brown paper bag (no plastic shopping bags). Place on top of/or beside bin	No plastic coated paper, plastics, carbon paper, tissue, napkins, paper cups/plates. No food residue or soiled paper. No cereal box liners.
	Corrugated	Must be flattened & tied Wax free. No larger than 3x3 feet	No pizza boxes. No waxed boxes.

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- Weight Limit: Containers not to exceed 50 lbs. per container.
- Bulky Waste/Large Items: Limit one per week. Mattresses, sofas, etc.
- **Awkward Items** not in containers: Must be cut into 4 ft. lengths tied or bundled at curb. Each bundle is considered one bulk item.
- White Goods/TV & Computer Monitor Collection: Call BFI at 1-800-442-9006 to schedule a collection.
- Hazardous Waste/Special Waste Collection: Call DPW at 978-664-6060 for exact dates. No Hazardous Materials or paints collected with curbside waste.
- Yard Waste: The Drop-Off Recycling Center, Spindler DPW Complex on Chestnut Street is open from the first Saturday in April until Nov. 30. Hours are 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Yard waste (grass clippings & leaves; no brush) must be delivered loose or in biodegradable bags. No Plastic Bags.
- Oil Collection: Last Saturday of the month at the Spindler DPW Complex. Closed Nov. 30 until April.
- **Special Curbside Collection of Christmas Trees:** On trash day the first full two weeks after Christmas (Dec. 30-Jan. 10).

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

When a holiday falls on a Monday or Tuesday, collection will be delayed until Wednesday. Recycling will follow the same schedule bi-weekly, town wide.

Monday, September 5, 2005 Monday, October 10, 2005 Friday, November 11, 2005 Thursday, November 24, 2005 *Monday, December 26, 2005 *Monday, January 2, 2006 Monday, January 16, 2006 Monday, February 20, 2006 Monday, April 17, 2006 Monday, May 29, 2006 Tuesday, July 4, 2006

*Please note that Christmas will be observed on Monday, December 26, 2005. New Year Day will be observed on Monday, January 2, 2006. Collections will be one day later on both weeks.

MISSED COLLECTION

To report that your bin or trash has not been picked up, call BFI at 1-800-442-9006

Lose Weight North Reading!

No, it isn't some fad diet we're talking about. We're not talking about dropping a dress size or being able to pull that belt a notch tighter. We are talking about lightening the load in your weekly trash barrel. We're talking about collecting your glass jars and bottles, cans, cardboard, newspapers, magazines and junk mail in a recycling bin rather than a trash bin.

Why? Because as of September, the more you reduce, reuse and recycle, the less North Reading will spend of your tax dollars to dispose of trash.

That's right, recycling saves money.

Each North Reading household is averaging 65 pounds of trash per week. The state average is 47 pounds of trash per week. If each household reduced its trash by 10 percent, the town would save about \$46,000 per year. If we get down to the state average, North Reading would realize a savings of \$127,000!

To make it easier to recycle, North Reading is expanding the Recycling Program and providing weekly pick-up starting September 7. No more wondering if it's recycling week or checking your neighbor's driveway to see if this is the week to put out the recycling. Wednesday is spaghetti day. In North Reading, Tuesday is Recycling Day (and don't forget to recycle the spaghetti box from Wednesday's dinner).

So if you have been recycling, see what else you can put in the recycling bin. If you haven't been, now's a great time to start.

What you can recycle is listed elsewhere in this brochure.

In the coming months you'll be getting more suggestions from the Recycling Committee about other ways you can reduce, reuse and recycle more items. It's all part of our effort to help you lose weight, weight in your trash barrel. Lose Weight, North Reading!

Ed McGrath Chairman North Reading Recycling Committee

P.S. If you want to get more involved and promote recycling in North Reading, consider joining the Recycling Committee. Contact the Town Administrator's office for details

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RECYCLING IS NOW WEEKLY

WHERE to recycle:

On your recycling day, Tuesday, unless there is a Monday or Tuesday holiday, just put your filled bin out next to your regular solid waste by 7:00 a.m. Rain or shine. BFI will pick up your recyclable materials. Recyclables and solid waste will be collected by separate trucks.

NOTE: If you've accidentally discarded something that cannot be recycled, we'll leave it in your bin with a note to let you know why it was not recyclable.

WHEN to recycle:

Your recycling day will be every Tuesday starting September 6, 2005 (Note: September 7th due to Labor Day holiday) Just remember to put your filled bin out next to your regular solid waste by 7:00 a.m. It's that easy! Whenever a holiday falls on a Monday or Tuesday, that week's collection is delayed one day.

QUESTIONS about recycling:

If you have any questions about how to prepare your materials, or about your recycling day, please call 978-664-6060. For questions regarding solid waste, please call 978-664-6060.